

Adult head lice can live up to 2 days on personal items, stuffed animals, household surfaces, clothing, and bedding. Anything coming in contact with lice or an infested person 2 days before treatment should be cleaned.



Machine-wash all clothing, linens, and personal items in water that is at least 130°F, then dry them in a hot dryer for at least 20 minutes. Allow time for the water to heat up between washings.



Dry clean items that cannot be washed, or seal them in a tightly closed plastic bag for 14 days. After 14 days has passed shake the items outside vigorously to remove dead lice and eggs.



Soak all combs and brushes in hot water (130°F) for 5-10 minutes.



Vacuum carpeting, mattresses, household furniture, and auto upholstery. Take the vacuum outside the house to change the bag or dump the canister. Seal the bag containing the lice into another disposable bag and discard in the trash.

Use the following checklist to help you clean your home:

Combs and brushes Head bands Barrettes/hair pieces Clothing Bed linens Mattresses, pillows, pillow case Towels Hats Coats, scarves, earmuffs, gloves Car seats	Baseball caps Bike/sports gear Headphones Furniture Auto upholstery Rugs, carpeting Play mats Stuffed animals/toys Hair rollers Sleeping bag
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